Air Pollution Control Technology Press Releases

Air Pollution Control Products to Get Independent Testing of Environmental Performance

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EPA and Research Triangle Institute are offering developers of air pollution control technology the opportunity to have their products tested by an independent laboratory. EPA financial assistance is available through RTI to help pay for the testing.

The program will provide independent assessment of the environmental performance characteristics of commercially ready technologies.

RTI will design and implement testing procedures, while an advisory panel will help choose technologies for evaluation.

RTI is seeking recommendations for technologies to assess and for members of the advisory panel.

Send nominations to:

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Nominations for technologies are accepted at any time. Nominations for advisory panel members are needed in November 1997.

RTI is an independent organization that conducts research for government and industry in environmental protection, advanced technologies, health and medicine, and public policy. RTI was founded in 1958 as the initial scientific organization in North Carolina's Research Triangle Park.

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SUBJECT: Candidate Air Pollution Control Technologies and Nominations for Pilot Stakeholder Groups

EPA has awarded a cooperative agreement (CR826152) to the Research Triangle Institute (RTI) for an Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) Pilot Program in Air Pollution Control Technology (APCT).

This program is being designed to verify the environmental performance characteristics of commercially ready technologies through the evaluation of objective and quality-assured data so that potential purchasers and permitters are provided with an independent and credible assessment of what they are buying and permitting.

RTI is designing a verification strategy to include developing test protocols with quality assurance provisions, performing verification testing, and issuing verification statements. Manufacturers and vendors of APCT are invited to identify candidate technologies for verification testing. EPA financial assistance through RTI is currently available for testing.

RTI intends to establish a Stakeholders Advisory Committee (SAC) to assist in selecting and prioritizing APCT for verification testing. The SAC will include representatives from the following groups: EPA, States, Associations representing the regulated community, Associations representing the manufacturers and vendors of APCT, environmental groups, and other interested organizations and/or representatives.

In addition to the SAC, RTI intends to select Stakeholder Groups (SGs) for the various technology areas selected for testing. The SAC will have more of an overview role in helping in the selection and prioritization of APCT to be tested. The SCs for the individual technologies will assist with the review and approval of test protocols and provide advice with respect to the specific test programs.

Nominations for: (1) representatives to the SAC; (2) candidate technologies for testing; and (3) representatives to the SGs for the individual candidate technologies should be forwarded in writing to:

Mr. Jack R. Farmer, P.O. Box 12194, Research Triangle Institute, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, so as to be received no later than 11/14/97.

Inquiries or questions may be directed to Mr. Farmer via email at jrf@rti.org, via FAX at 919-541-6936, or telephone at 919-541-6909.

(Note: recommendations for candidate technologies may be submitted at any time.)